State of Washington

Status of Resolution of Reported Frauds

December 2001

Agency: 670

Seattle Community Colleges

Audit Finding Number Number

6270 1 Finding: Public funds were misappropriated from South Seattle Community

College and public records were altered and falsified.

Fraud Amount: \$26,000 Recovery to Date: \$1,280

Action/Status: District officials contacted the State Auditor's Office regarding a

possible misappropriation of public funds involving three procurement cards assigned to the South Seattle Community College Student Life

Department.

Seattle Community College has taken the following corrective action:

Modified and implemented the procurement card procedure requiring supervisory personnel to review and sign all detailed

receipts.

Criminal action taken: Former employee pled guilty to 2nd degree theft. The employee was scheduled to have a sentencing and restitution hearing on October 12, 2001, however the hearing has been postponed twice. The next hearing is scheduled for mid-January 2002.

Personnel action taken: The employee was dismissed.

Amounts to be recovered:

Restitution of misappropriation \$26,000 Audit costs \$10,057 Total \$36,057

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